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TURNPIKE AUTHORITY

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DAVID W. JOYNER
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes
Monday, November 14, 2011

Members present: Gene Conti, Chairman
Perry Safran
Robb Teer
Thomas Stith
Al Swanstrom
Members present via phone: Anthony Fox
Bob Clay
James Ferebee
Members Absent: John Collett
Also present: David Joyner, Executive Director

Secretary Gene Conti called the meeting to order at 3:05pm. He read the State Ethics Act and declared that there was a quorum present.

Robb Teer moved approval of the September 8, 2011 and November 2, 2011 Board meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Thomas Stith and approved unanimously.

Perry Safran withdrew his tabled motion to increase the delay in implementing tolls on the Triangle Parkway from two weeks to one month. He stated that the December 8, 2011, opening would satisfy his request.

Robb Teer introduced Liz Rooks, Interim President of the Research Triangle Foundation. She presented the Authority a check for \$50,000 from the Durham-Wake Counties Research and Production Service District for enhanced landscaping on the Triangle Parkway. Ms. Rooks stated that she is thrilled to see the project near completion. Robb Teer presented a Resolution of Appreciation for the gift from the Authority.

Wally McBride stated the Local Government Commission approved bond sales for the Monroe Connector/Bypass. Mr. McBride presented the Monroe bond order for Board approval. Perry Safran moved approval of the bond order. The motion was seconded by Robb Teer and approved unanimously.

Barry Mickle introduced the NCDOT Now video that reported on the NC Quick Pass Customer Service Center opening. Mr. Mickle discussed transponder sales for NC Quick

Pass. He reported that 2525 transponders had been sold to date. Mr. Mickle discussed that 93% of customers signed up using credit cards with automatic replenishment. Mr. Mickle feels that these customers see the value in the time saved in using the Triangle Expressway since there has not been a major marketing push yet.

Reid Simons discussed the marketing and outreach plans. She stated that there has been excellent participation at the employer events that have been taking place at the EPA, Cree, Time Warner Cable, Lenovo etc. in RTP. She indicated that there are a number of different marketing plans starting soon. Commercials have been running on the radio. The Triangle Expressway Trot is on November 20, 2011. Ms. Simons thanked Robb Teer for providing the prizes for the winners of the Triangle Expressway Trot. She showed the Triangle Expressway visualization video that will be up on the NC Quick Pass website soon. Perry Safran congratulated Ms. Simons on an excellent live interview on WPTF.

Secretary Gene Conti asked if the Bill by Mail invoices were being sent out at bulk mail rate. Barry Mickle stated that the legislation states that the bill must be sent via First Class mail. Mr. Mickle stated that the NCTA is looking into different ways to save on mailing with different envelopes and other options.

Steve DeWitt congratulated RK&K on an outstanding job on Triangle Parkway. Mr. DeWitt discussed the plan to accelerate the opening of the Triangle Expressway from NC55 to NC64 in August 2012. Mr. DeWitt presented the project expenditures and budget and stated that the project is \$54 million below budget. Mr. DeWitt discussed the change orders and stated that there was a significant \$8 million change order for widening.

Andy Lelewski presented on the NCTA Roadway and Facility Maintenance Standards. He stated that the performance standards were developed using NCDOT, Florida Turnpike, and Orlando-Orange County Expressway standards as models. He discussed the execution of the roadway maintenance through Division 5. He also discussed the state-of-the-art Traffic Management Center. Kim Levine, HNTB, discussed the roadway maintenance plans for sweeping, roadside mowing, litter pickup, and debris removal. Ms. Levine discussed the maintenance rating program. She discussed toll facility and ITS Maintenance which will be maintained by ACS through FY2016. (See attached presentation.)

Steve DeWitt discussed the Turnpike projects and job creation. Mr. DeWitt gave a breakdown of the employment statistics for the Triangle Expressway. The Western Wake Freeway has created over 500 direct jobs. He discussed the Monroe Connector/Bypass job creation is anticipated to be 600 to 700 of direct project personnel. (See attached fact sheets.)

Steve DeWitt and Mark Foster discussed the Monroe Connector/Bypass project schedule. Mr. DeWitt said that Judge Devers ruled in the Authority's favor on the environmental lawsuit filed by SELC. Mr. Foster stated that the LGC unanimously approved the sale of the bonds. Bonds valued at \$10 million are being sold on November 15, 2011, at a favorable 2.48% interest rate. The Authority will execute the Design-Build contract on November 21.

The GARVEE bonds will be sold in December. Mr. DeWitt discussed the construction activities once financial close is complete. (See attached schedule.)

David Joyner thanked Scott Slusser and Jennifer Harris for their efforts on the Monroe lawsuit. He also thanked the contractors for holding their bids and waiting for the lawsuit verdict.

David Joyner gave a brief update on the Mid-Currituck Bridge project. Mr. Joyner discussed that the concession agreement is more than 200 pages, and he thanked everyone for their efforts in working through this P3. He stated that the Congressional Environment and Infrastructure Committee increased the TIFIA lending to \$1 billion and increased the credit from 33% to 49%. He noted that there is still a lot to be done. He reported that he gave a presentation to the JLTOC and there was much interest in the project and the process. Mark Foster noted that this project marks the first time that North Carolina has truly participated in developing a P3 project and it is very complex.

JR Fenske discussed toll technology and interoperability. Ms. Fenske discussed the different types of tolling technology. JR stated that there are 20 toll roads across the US that are using or pursuing all electronic tolling. She discussed the evolution of tolling and payment options. She stated that current toll programs do not allow for full national interoperability due to technology as well business rules and legislation. She discussed the five RFID technologies deployed in the US. Legislation has been drafted for East Coast states to implement interoperability. E-ZPass has developed an associate membership status which will be voted on by the E-ZPass members in the next few months. Ms. Fenske stated that the Authority hopes to be interoperable with E-ZPass and SunPass by June 2012. (See attached presentation.)

David Joyner stated that the ribbon cutting for the Triangle Expressway is December 8, 2011.

There were no members of the public who wished to address the Board during the public input session.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:42pm.

Minutes by Jillian Bliss